and the entire International Acadian Festival. Margaret is truly deserving of this recognition.

HONORING THE DEDICATION OF THE VIETNAM MEMORIAL WALL OF TEXAS

HON. JEB HENSARLING

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 6, 2009

Mr. HENSARLING. Madam Speaker, today I recognize Kaufman County Veterans for their tremendous work in procuring a replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall.

The memorial wall, which will be permanently located at the Kaufman County Veterans Memorial Park, will be a lasting tribute to those who not only served in Vietnam, but to all the veterans of Kaufman County.

As we prepare for Veterans Day on November 11th, let us remember those throughout our nation's history who have sacrificed so much so that we may be free. Freedom is not free; it comes at an incredible cost. Veterans and their families, more than any other group of Americans, understand that cost.

President Coolidge once said, "A nation which forgets its defenders, will itself soon be forgotten." This park and wall in Kaufman, Texas, will forever be a reminder of the sacrifices our fellow Americans and their families endured so that we may enjoy the freedoms that have made our country so great.

As the Congressman of the Fifth District, I would like to thank everyone who played a role in building the Kaufman County Veterans Memorial Park and bringing the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall to Kaufman County.

CONGRATULATIONS TO E.M. DAGGETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN FORT WORTH

HON. KAY GRANGER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, November 6, 2009

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to offer my congratulations to an elementary school in my District. E.M. Daggett Elementary in Fort Worth, Texas is celebrating its 100th anniversary. This is particularly noteworthy because Daggett Elementary is only the second elementary school in the country to reach this milestone.

Named after a pioneer settler of Fort Worth, E.M. Daggett Elementary opened in September of 1909. At that time, Fort Worth was experiencing a tremendous amount of growth and a new school was needed to serve the families moving into the southern parts of the city. As the city has continued to grow, so has E.M. Daggett Elementary. Buildings were added in 1914, 1926, and 1988 to increase the number of classrooms and the overall size of the school so it would be better equipped to serve the community.

E.M. Daggett Elementary has always been a site of innovation and progress for the Fort Worth Independent School District. In the 1940s, the regional day school for the deaf was established. This school served deaf students from all over Tarrant County and sur-

rounding counties. In 1983, Daggett Montessori School became the first public Montessori school in the school district. E.M. Daggett Elementary recently began a Parents as Teachers Program.

As a former teacher, I know that quality education is the foundation of a successful future. E.M. Daggett Elementary has been able to provide that essential foundation to countless people from Fort Worth. It has been a vital part of Fort Worth for the past 100 years, and I hope it will continue to be an invaluable part of the community for many years to come.

Again, I congratulate E.M. Daggett Elementary on its 100th anniversary.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, Novermber 6, 2009

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2996, the Department of Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010.

Project Name: Caroline County for the Dawn Community Decentralized Wastewater System project

Amount: \$3,000,000

Account: STAG Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Project

Requested by: Caroline County

Intended Recipient of Funds: Caroline County, VA, 117 Ennis Street, P.O. Box 447, Bowling Green, VA 22427

Project description and explanation of the request: The project will expand the availability of safe county-owned and operated wastewater treatment to replace failing or problem septic systems in the community of Dawn. The Dawn area has experienced serious public health issues for years due to failing septic systems. Phase 1 of the project was successful in connecting over 180 households to the county owned and operated Dawn De-centralized Wastewater System. Phase 2 is estimated to connect another 180 homes and small businesses.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DOC HASTINGS

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 6, 2009

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding an earmark I received as part of H.R. 2996, the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agency Appropriations Act of 2010. This earmark in the Environmental Protection Agency's State and Tribal Assistance Grant Program is for \$500,000 to the City of Rock Island, P.O. Box 99, Rock Island, WA 98850.

This project would construct a wastewater collection and treatment system for the City of Rock Island and a portion of the unincor-

porated area of Douglas County. More than five years of technical study have demonstrated the need for a central sewer system to address the high risk of drinking water contamination that exists as a result of failing on site septic systems, inadequate soils and a high water table. Design of the system is complete, and the project is ready for construction.

IN HONOR OF ACEL MOORE, DISTINGUISHED PHILADELPHIA JOURNALIST, EDUCATOR, MENTOR AND ROLE MODEL

HON. CHAKA FATTAH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, November 6, 2009

Mr. FATTAH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Acel Moore, a distinguished Philadelphia journalist and educator, mentor and role model, who is adding another significant honor to his already impressive career. Along the way, Acel Moore has been a pioneer in the promotion and showcasing of minority journalism and a star in the ranks of Philadelphia journalists.

Acel Moore has been called "the conscience of the community," a title and responsibility that he continues to earn every day.

His latest honor, the 2009 Star Alumnus EDDY from the Philadelphia Education Fund as a Star of Public Education, will be presented November 19, 2009 at the Philadelphia Education Fund awards ceremony on the campus of Drexel University in my district.

Acel's journalism career began at the Philadelphia Inquirer in 1962 as a copy book, gained added prominence with the 1977 Pulitzer Prize and continues today as the Inquirer's Associate Editor Emeritus and columnist. Yet alongside his work in the newsroom, Acel has been the creator of programs, motivator and instructor for generations of public school youth in Philadelphia.

Most significantly, he has blended these dual passions. Acel Moore has not only opened the door for talented youth of color to launch journalism and communications careers in workplaces desperately in need of diversity. He has, time after time, built the doorway itself.

Ácel—known throughout Philadelphia and in wider journalism circles simply by his distinctive first name—continues to lecture at several colleges and universities around the country. At the Inquirer, he writes and directs recruitment, training and staff development while still being consulted to help shape and balance the paper's editorial policies.

In 1979, he established the Art Peters Fellowship Program, a copy editor internship that has launched the careers of 50 journalists. In 1984, he created the Journalism Career Development Workshop that has trained dozens of Philadelphia high school students. The program is now named in his honor—the Acel Moore Minority Workshop. He also has developed writing and journalism programs for the School District of Philadelphia.

In 1970 he won the Pennsylvania Bar Association's Scale of Justice Award for his series on the juvenile court system. Then came the Public Service Award from the Society of Professional Journalism in 1971 and an award from the Pennsylvania Associated Press Managing Editors Association in 1974. That same